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TO AMEMBASSY GABORONE IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT KHAMA'S VISIT

REF: GABORONE 1590

I. INFORMATION IN REFTEL PASSED TO HARVARD. APPARENTLY ACCOMODATIONS ARRANGED IN BOSTON SUBURBS ARE AVAILABLE ONLY THROUGH AFTERNOON OF JUNE 8. BOTSWANA EMBASSY ADVISES THAT KHAMA'S PARTY THUS PLANS DEPART FOR NEW YORK CONSULTATIONS WITH GOB UN MISSION LATE JUNE 8.

2. SECRET SERVICE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHICH PERSONS ACCOMPANYING PRESIDENT ARE SECURITY OFFICERS AND WHETHER THEY WILL BE CARRYING WEAPONS. WE WOULD PREFER THAT THEY NOT, SINCE USSS REMAINS RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURITY. HOWEVER, IF DESIRED, IT CAN BE ARRANGED FOR THEM TO CARRY WEAPONS THROUGHOUT VISIT. IN THAT CASE WE WILL NEED TO KNOW WHO IS CARRYING WHAT, AS DIFFERENT IDENTIFI-CATION WILL BE ISSUED TO THOSE WHO WILL BE ARMED.
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3. CURRENT PLANS ARE FOR KHAMA TO BE MET AT AIRPORT BY USSS-PROVIDED SECURE LIMOUSINE; VICE PRESIDENT OF HARVARD WITH UNIVERSITY LIMOUSINE(S) FOR REMAINDER OF PARTY; AMBASSADOR MOOKODI AND (AT REQUEST OF UNIVERSITY

AND BOTSWANA EMBASSY) AF/S OFFICER. DEPTOFF WILL NOT

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REPEAT NOT TAKE PART IN OFFICIAL CEREMONIES BUT WILL
ASSIST WITH PROTOCOL AND LOGISTICS AS NEEDED AS WELL AS
CONSULTING WITH STAFF MEMBERS OF PARTY IF APPROPRIATE.

4. HARVARD REMAINS SLIGHTLY ANXIOUS ABOUT COSTS OF
SIZABLE PARTY BUT BOTSWANA AMBASSADOR HAS CONVEYED HIS
UNDERSTANDING THAT GOB IS COVERING ALL BUT H.E. AND
LADY KHAMA. HARVARD IS ASSUMING HE MAY WISH TO USE
MOST OF JUNE 7 FOR REST AND/OR OWN BUSINESS WITH HIS
STAFF. IT HAS PREPARED A VISIT TO CONCORD HISTORICAL
AREA FOR THOSE IN PARTY WHO WISH TO GO, FOLLOWED BY
LUNCHEON IN BOSTON, BUT NO ADDITIONAL EVENTS WEDNESDAY
UNTIL 6:00 COCKTAILS/DINNER.
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